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Letter From Centennial Director

Dear Brother Pastor:

Mississippi Baptists are shoulder to shoulder with their brethren all over the Southland in the great march of the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade. Many souls are to be led to redemption in Christ Jesus and enlisted in His world-wide kingdom program. Mississippi pastors, as heretofore, will begin to lead their people from their knees.

This is your first letter from me, and it is written with a prayerful purpose of enlisting your whole-hearted cooperation in doing several very important things: (1) That you read carefully and follow as closely as possible the enclosed calendar of Centennial Crusade activities. This calendar is NOT a haphazard flinging together of ideas, but is the composite result of the prayerful thinking of many Baptist leaders and pastors called together from all over the South. There is MIGHTY POWER in Baptist PRAYING, THINKING and MARCHING in the same way at the same time. Put this calendar in a conspicuous place in your church. (2) Discuss with your membership and the moderator of your association the filling of the four cars allotted to your association to bring your people to the "Debt-Free" celebration at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, December 12, the expenses of these cars being paid by the denomination, on a mileage basis. Plans for the Centennial Crusade will be discussed at this meeting. (3) Appoint a "Centennial Crusade Committee" of six members in your church. They will represent Evangelism, Education, Enlistment, Stewardship, Rehabilitation and Benevolences. The person representing Evangelism will be the chairman of the committee. Your committee will work with the Associational Crusade Committee. (4) Begin NOW to plan for at least two revivals in your church in 1945. If your city has more than one Baptist church, plan a simultaneous revival. Discuss with your associational crusade committee the advisability of a simultaneous, associational-wide revival. (5) Use your mission school all of the year as an evangelistic opportunity. (6) Hold revivals in school buildings, halls, homes, streets, and brush arbors. Baptists must NEVER surrender their heritage of the masses to the many "ISMS" stalking through the country. (7) Organize and train a large, zealous group of soul winners. (8) Plan for, and begin to secure the tracts you and your people will need. Let us sow literature containing the "TRUTH" in every nook and corner of Mississippi.

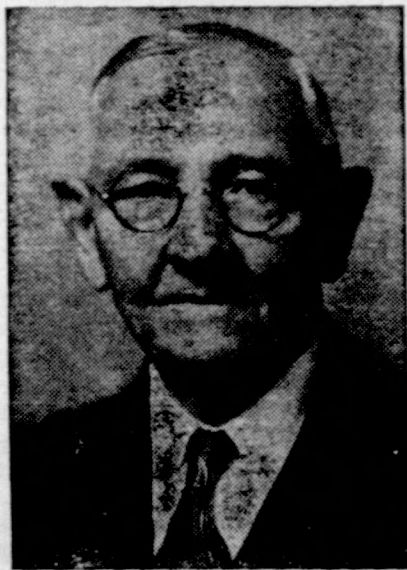
I am on my knees for VICTORY! May God lead YOU to join me.

Yours in Christ,

W. A. BELL, Director,
Centennial Evangelistic Crusade.

Interim Secretary For The Orient

Dr. J. T. Williams will join the secretarial staff of the Foreign Mission Board on January 1, 1945, as Interim Secretary for the Orient, filling the vacancy created by the election of Dr. M. T. Rankin, the present secretary for the Orient, to the position of Executive Secretary.



DR. J. T. WILLIAMS

Dr. Williams has served for 31 years as a missionary in China. For the past ten years he has been the Board's treasurer for China missions. He comes to his new duties with a thorough grasp of present conditions of our missionary undertaking in the Orient which will make him most valuable in the work of the Board.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

TO THE BAPTIST MEN AND WOMEN OF MISSISSIPPI:

On Nov. 16 the State Baptist Convention adopted a plan whereby the trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital were permitted to ask subscriptions for the hospital's new building.

We whole-heartedly accept this as our plan and enter into it with all the zeal we are capable of giving.

Soon your pastor will be appraised of how this will be done. We feel that time is a very important element in the effort and we humbly plead for your prayers, cooperation and part of your tithes and offerings for this great cause.

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THE LITTLE BAPTIST

By J. M. MARTIN

(With special permission of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, we present this story by J. M. Martin, a popular narrative. Follow it weekly. The book, The Little Baptist, may be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.—Editor.)

CHAPTER XIV

The Saturday Meeting—Family Consultation

It was a beautiful Saturday morning in the month of May. Everything was astir at Colonel Brown's, getting ready to go to the Baptist meeting. Contrary to the expectations of Mrs. Brown and Mellie, Colonel Brown and Frank declined to go with them. When the ladies arrived at the church, they found an unusually large congregation for a conference meeting. This church adhered to the old custom of holding a meeting once a month on Saturday, to attend to the general business of the church.

It has been said that "coming events cast their shadows before"; and at this time anticipations, that had ripened into a current report, had spread over the community to the effect that Mrs. Brown and Mellie would join the church that day, hence the large congregation. Many were there

prompted by mere curiosity, while some had gone in the capacity of spies, to take notes and report proceedings. The pastor preached a calm, dispassionate sermon, on "Christian Duty," which he discussed in three divisions: 1st. "Duty to God," 2nd. "Duty to the Church," and 3rd. "Duty to the World." At the close of the sermon, the usual forms were observed, of inviting the church to sit in conference, and stating that the church was ready to receive applicants for membership. While the church engaged in singing that good old hymn: "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound," all eyes were turned in the direction of Mrs. Brown and Mellie, who sat with so much composure that a general disappointment was visible all over the house. But while singing the fourth stanza, and after the words, "His word my hope secures," Mellie arose alone, and with a calm, deliberate movement, evincing a fixed and steady purpose, took the designated seat. The pastor asked her to relate some evidences of her change of heart, which she proceeded to do in a voice so distinct as to be plainly heard by the congregation. (Continued on Page Four)

Mississippi College Looks Ahead

By D. M. Nelson, President

We are nearing the close of an era in Mississippi College. Space is not available to even enumerate any of the events of this passing era; nor is there inclination to do so. Rather would we catch something of the sentiment of the words of the great apostle, and turn from the things of the past and reach out for the things of the future, pressing on toward challenging and worthy goals.

Trustees, teachers, and others with administrative responsibility have already begun to study the present aims and objectives, programs and course offerings of the college, with a view of revision and enlargement and improvement to meet the needs and demands of our young people and our denomination. There doubtless will be more prescription in the first two years of study for all students, using the true and tried disciplines, introducing all students to the great cultures of the past—great literature, the languages, history and social sciences; giving them foundation work in mathematics, and acquainting them with God's handiwork in the study of the natural sciences, and His revelation in the study of the Bible; and interpreting all thought and knowledge in the light of this revelation.

After the first two years, under proper counseling and guidance, students will move into their fields of interest and pursue studies bearing upon their professional or pre-professional work.

In addition to this, we further propose to relate the work in Mississippi College more directly to the needs of the denomination. We would enlarge our Bible department so as to include work in church administration. Our

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Eight Pages This Week

This issue contains only eight pages. We hope it will not be necessary again. The WPB has not cut our paper supply but has limited us to the average amount used in the first three quarters of 1944.

Our subscription list has grown rapidly in the last few weeks, and in order to be safe, we are cutting to eight pages for this week.

Churches or individuals planning to subscribe should send lists at once.

We can take care of all lists received by Christmas.

HOSPITAL STAFF PLEDGES \$15,000

The executive committee of the hospital trustees is meeting this week to formulate plans for raising the \$200,000 for the new hospital unit.

Mississippians, and Mississippi Baptists in particular, will want to rally to these plans.

Sparks & Splinters

A church of fine fellowship and co-operation in Mississippi desires a good Educational Secretary to care for financial records, be secretary to the pastor and to help in the direction of religious education. A knowledge of shorthand and typing is necessary. Character, personality and educational requirements are high. The salary is among the better ones in the field. If interested please give qualifications, age, references, experience, etc., and address "E. D. % The Baptist Record, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.," which will forward your letter to the church.—paid.

First church, Jackson, has put \$5,000 in their budget for the Baptist Hospital.

Union church, Walthall county, and Kokomo church, Marion county, have called Rev. Riley Munday of B. B. I., New Orleans, to succeed N. F. Davis, Jr., who recently resigned. N. R. Barron, B. T. U. director of Union church says "Rev. Munday just takes up where Rev. Davis left off."

Mrs. J. S. Fannin has sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Providence church, Forest county.

Pastor Martin Lowrey not only came to the Convention but he brought with him an EVERY FAMILY list from Mount Zion church, Wayne county. There were 48 names on the list which makes a total of 53 for this good church.

Associational Clerk O. B. Beverly has sent us a copy of the 1944 Madison county minutes. From the minutes we glean the following facts: 11 churches, 2,145 members, total for local expenses \$28,139; total to all missions, \$9,646.

Pastor A. B. Jones writes that Sherman has voted to erect a new building.

We are grateful to Mrs. Moree Lovett, treasurer Monte Vista church, Webster county, for a list of 14 subscriptions. We are thankful to our many friends. How they help our circulation grow.

Recently The Baptist Record received a letter which said, "Enclosed you will find money order for \$1.50 for which please send The Baptist Record to our pastor, Rev. ———." If the pastors won't subscribe their members should subscribe for them.

Baldwyn: We recently had a study course in our church with 25 officers and teachers enrolled. Dr. F. M. Powell, pastor, Calvary church, Tupelo, taught "A Church Using Its Sunday School."—Earl C. Edwards, pastor.

Second Avenue church, Laurel: Our church has had a great revival under the direction of Dr. Clifton J. Allen, associate editorial secretary of the Sunday School Board. He was with us from Oct. 29 through November 5. There were 20 professions of faith and 10 by letter. Others have continued to come into our fellowship and we baptized 24 on November 12 with six more awaiting baptism. Since becoming pastor little more than nine months ago there have been 128 new members of whom 62 were by baptism. The W. M. U. gave the pastor and his family a generous pounding recently. Our building fund is growing; we have \$18,500 in bonds already.—B. B. Hilbun, pastor.

Second Avenue church, Laurel: The treasurer's report for October reveals a total collection of \$1,947.67. Local expense totaled \$1,177.43 including the cost of a bond for \$740. Missions and benevolences received, \$260.56. We have a balance of \$618.96 on hand and \$13,690 invested in bonds with a maturity value of \$18,500.

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Rev. Walter Levon Moore, of Newton, Miss., who is a second-year student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here, has recently been called as pastor of the Ormsby Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville. Mr. Moore, who is a graduate of Mississippi College, formerly served as pastor of the Edinburg Baptist Church, Edinburg, Miss., and as associate pastor of the Grenada Baptist Church, Grenada, Miss.; and the Yazoo City Baptist Church, Yazoo City, Miss.

Magnolia church, B. Frank Smith, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of Blue Mountain College.

From the daily papers we learn that Rev. R. G. Joiner, 65, Baptist pastor of Wayne county, died recently. Funeral services were held from the First church of Waynesboro of which he had formerly been pastor. The services were conducted by Revs. N. A. Edmunds of Shubuta, E. F. Hicks, J. H. Jolly and T. A. King. Survivors include his wife, four children: Mrs. Ruby Livingston, of Laurel, Miss.; Mrs. M. M. Henderson, of Mobile, Ala.; Jesse Joiner, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and R. G. Joiner, Jr., of Waynesboro; four brothers: O. L. Joiner of Jackson, Miss.; Earl Joiner, of Waynesboro; Sidney and Leslie Joiner, of Carthage, Miss., and several grandchildren.

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins has been pastor of the First church, Abilene, Tex., since November, 1915. During these 29 years there have been 10,844 additions; total offerings of \$1,460,838 and 2,525 baptisms.

Rev. L. S. Cole has resigned the pastorate of the First church, Refugio, Texas, in order to become pastor of the Baptist Temple, Corpus Christi, Texas. He was formerly pastor at Marks, Miss.

Oakland, Yalobusha county: On October 22 there were 18 present and the offering for State Missions amounted to \$80.

"If My People," by Mrs. Helen Reagan Smith, is an excellent treatment of II Chron. 7:14. She almost treats it word for word. It is a helpful treatment of this oft-treated verse. She has a new approach to this which is so familiar to many. Read it. The price is \$1.50 and orders should be sent to the publisher, Helms Printing Co., Dallas, Texas, or from the author at Big Springs, Texas.

Lexington: Our gifts to the Cooperative Program has been increased in the 1945 budget from \$600 to \$900. The contributions this year were \$3,000 more than the budget. Total additions to the church were 57, of whom 26 were received by baptism.

From the Baptist Messenger of Oklahoma we learn that Carl Kosanke, former educational director at First church, Hattiesburg, has accepted a similar position with the First church, Miami, Oklahoma. Dr. B. M. Jackson is pastor.

Treasurer E. L. Dear of Sledge church is another good friend of The Baptist Record. He recently sent a club of 14 subscriptions.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE LOOKS AHEAD

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desire is to send back into our denominational life educational directors, associate pastors, church secretaries, and ministers of music for our churches. Some of these things have already been initiated and the desired results will be realized in due season.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention at its recent meeting approved the five-year enlargement program, including the following items:

1. An Administration Building adequate for business offices, class rooms, student and faculty rooms, auditorium, and maybe space for the library. This building is absolutely necessary for any appreciable enlargement. One-third of the amount for this item is already in sight.

2. A modern dormitory for girls. If we are to invite our choice girls from our best homes, we must provide the comforts and conveniences they deserve. Is it too much to hope that this item will be realized in twelve months? There are enough women graduates of Hillman and Mississippi College to do this noble thing without serious effort.

3. The completion of the endowment of the chair of Bible and Evangelism as a memorial to the late Dr. M. O. Patterson. About one-fifth of the \$100,000.00 is already in sight. Churches and individuals are week after week contributing to this amount. We believe that the above three items will be realized within twelve months. Endowment of other chairs should then be established, including the J. W. Provine chair of chemistry, the Aven-Latimer chair of ancient languages, and possibly others, bringing the endowment up to one million dollars. Income from this endowment, with the percentage accruing to Mississippi College from the Co-operative Program, will provide adequately current funds to sustain an enlarged program.

4. With adequate buildings and sufficient support fund, we envision a student body of 800 to 1,000 of our choicest and best students preparing to serve in the critical days ahead. Mississippi College has really started on the march toward new conquests for the Redeemer and His Kingdom.

Current Items of Interest

Messrs. Wilber D. Cole and Everett S. Cole, of Philadelphia, Mississippi, have established the Cole Brothers Foundation at Mississippi College. They have already given \$15,000.00. They plan to increase this amount to \$25,000.00 in the near future. The income from the principal is to be used in training ministerial and lay students as well in church administration. These splendid laymen are very much interested in improving country churches. This is the very practical way that they have chosen to do so.

The First Baptist Church, of Jackson, Mississippi, has placed in its budget for the coming year an item of \$7,500.00 for Mississippi College. This great church has loyally and de-

Of the 611 men enrolled in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., all except five are preparing for the ministry. They represent 35 different states, including every state in the Southern Baptist Convention except Arizona and New Mexico, and including five foreign countries, Romania, Cuba, Canada, Brazil and Syria. North Carolina leads the states with a total of 81, followed closely by Kentucky, which has 73. Other states having large representations are: South Carolina, 52; Georgia, 51; Alabama, 45; Tennessee, 43; Missouri and Virginia, 31 each; Arkansas 29, and Mississippi, 27.

Sledge and Lambert churches, R. W. Porter, pastor, are on the Glory Roll of Blue Mountain College.

If you have not made your Thanksgiving offering for the orphanage it is not too late. The entire month of November is orphanage month. However, if the offering was not made during the month designated for this purpose, make it on some other date, but be sure that your people are given an opportunity to make an expression of their love by giving to the children at this season.

The meeting of the Mississippi alumni of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was held at the Walthall Hotel, Jackson, on Wednesday morning, November 15, at State Convention time. Eighty-three enthusiastic alumni and their wives attended the breakfast. The meeting was presided over by President Walter Johnson. Eureka Man Cooper did a good job. Prof. R. Inman Johnson represented the seminary and brought greetings and a fine word from our alma mater. The following brethren were elected as officers for the year: President, James L. Sullivan, Brookhaven; vice-president, C. B. Hamlet, III, Winona; secretary, T. D. Brown, Hattiesburg; Eureka Man, Edward L. Byrd, Meridian; director of chapel fund, Walter L. Johnson, Philadelphia; advisory committee, J. Niles Puckett, Durant. It was reported that Mississippi alumni had gone over the top in meeting their quota to the chapel fund, the first group to complete the task.

votedly supported Mississippi College through the years with its money, its services of some of its choicest members, and with numbers of its young people as students.

The Board of Trustees will meet in the near future to make plans to get the new program of Mississippi College before the people. The President of the college is available for Sunday school appointments to speak on Mississippi College and Christian education. In order to reach as many churches as possible, he would like to speak in one church in the morning and a nearby church in the evening. There will be no public collection. Attempt will be made to make the messages informational and inspirational.

CIRCULATION STILL GROWING A GAIN OF 188 FOR THE WEEK

Circulation This Week . . . 46,202

\$25,000.00 Cash Thanksgiving Offering For The Orphanage.

Paul's Method: "I kept back nothing that was profitable, but have shewed you and taught you publickly, and from house to house." Acts 20:20

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:—
"LOVE NEVER FAILS"
1 Cor. 13:8b

Paul's Message: "Testifying both to the Jews, and also the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21.

Many Mississippi Baptist churches will want to put an item in the budget in support of the \$200,000 Mississippi Baptist Hospital Building Program. They are having to turn away sick and suffering men, women, and children . . . all for lack of room. "There was no room in the inn." Jesus performed a physical ministry. We hope many of our churches include a good amount for this purpose in their budgets.

All applications for help from the Convention Board for associational missions should be sent to the Convention Board office.

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CORRECTIONS

The first Convention Board recommendation should have read in last week's Baptist Record as follows: "That as early as practicable, when necessary funds are in hand to complete the building, we proceed through our Convention Board in the erection of our Baptist Building."

Recommendation 8 should have read: "That we study the advisability of establishing," etc.

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Other items in Convention Board report—mostly State Missions—to 1944 Convention.

Tremendous Needs

The tremendous need for a growing State Mission Budget is clearly seen in the constant and varied calls coming to the Convention Board. A few excerpts from letters follow:

"As to the colportage work, I hope you will see that a good strong committee is appointed at the Board meeting next month to work out a plan with the Sunday School Board. The whole plan should be worked out and put into effect by spring. Am sure your heart is in this work and that you will see that it is put over in the right way."

"The building with State Mission help was recently repainted inside and out, and dedicated during the pastorate of our predecessor. The present B. Y. P. U. average attendance is sixty, having been recently reorganized by our pastor."

"There have been more than two hundred additions to the church. Many of our young people having finished school have found their places in other Baptist churches and communities throughout the country. It has been a great privilege to reach our youth for Christ and train them for service in a church made possible by our State Mission Board."

Plea for help for a missionary to deaf mutes from a man who would work using a trailer, etc.

Pleas from Itawamba county for help in preaching and "giving the full gospel" to all the people.

"For this cause we earnestly beseech your prayerful consideration; for aid in financing one of our faculty for us. I shall close by begging prayerfully for deep consideration of this worthy cause."—Negro Greenville Institute.

"Our church building was burned to the ground. I would like to know if it would be possible for us to get aid from you."

The church plays a vital part in the training of the boys and girls of the orphanage. Every opportunity is given them to grow and develop spiritually.

Mr. H. E. Ingraham, Sunday School Board business manager, announces that Miss Blanche Mays of Arkansas has joined the forces of the Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tennessee, to serve in the realm of our Baptist Book Stores. She has for the past several years been the associate in the Sunday school, Training Union, and Baptist Student Department of the State Mission Board of Arkansas, and is well known throughout that state and beyond as an outstanding Christian worker. Her work for the present after a period of training at Nashville will be to help where most needed in the rapidly expanding ministry of our Baptist Book Stores in the various states. Where more than twenty stores are involved there are constantly arising emergencies and the services of this fine servant of Christ and the denomination will help greatly in many ways.

Sunday school superintendents! Did you make public announcement to your people that all supplies shipped to the Baptist Orphanage would be handled by the railroads free from November 17 through December 6? If your people have not yet made their shipment is not too late. Be sure to see that same is shipped by December 6.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENLARGEMENT PROGRAM ENDORSED

The Mississippi Baptist Convention went on record last week as endorsing an enlargement program for Mississippi College including new buildings and endowment. The two buildings planned to be built first are an administration building and a dormitory for girls. The present administrative offices are located in the Science Building and they occupy space greatly needed by the Science Department.

Probably the greatest building need at present is a modern dormitory for young women. Since Mississippi College formally admitted girls and annexed Hillman College two years ago, the need for better accommodations for the co-eds have been becoming constantly greater. Recently more courses have been added to attract the young women. Home Science has been added and better advantages in music are being offered. Now in order to grow and expand, new dormitory space has become imperative. One new dormitory is planned for the present and another is included in the five year plan.

An endowment movement is already under way headed by Dr. Bryan Simmons. \$100,000 is being raised to endow the chair of Bible in honor of Dr. M. O. Patterson, who for many years before his death was head of

"The past two weeks I have been working among two groups of people who are living on two government farm projects and have organized two Baptist churches with 66 additions to one and 16 in the other. . . . We had 106 in one of the new Sunday schools the second Sunday of its operation. We do not have a church house at either place, but are meeting in old houses which have been used by Negroes, and the government will sooner or later raze them. . . . We sorely need now a missionary or preacher with the church. Please help us to save this mission field which is 75 or 80 per cent Baptist and others are trying to get them to join their religion."

II

Ministry of Tracts

Approximately 750,000 tracts are being sent out annually in a ministry designed to reach every locality in Mississippi. Evangelistic tracts lead the list and following closely comes the call for thousands of tracts on the stewardship of life. Truly souls have been reached and won, and stewardship has been preached through the "Ministry of Tracts."

Soldier Service

One of the most interesting phases of State Mission work for the year has been for the service men and their families. Thousands of letters have been written to them. Tens of thousands of gospel tracts have been mailed. New Testaments and Gospels of John have been sent. We have received many replies in appreciation from many lands. We have two full time workers in this department.

BAPTIST RECORD BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

The Baptist Record business management has been in the hands of the Executive Secretary for three years. This involves four phases of the work, namely, bookkeeping, finances, advertising, and mailing. This year a profit of \$12,808.72 is realized. This amount is turned back into His work. We plan gradually to merge bookkeeping work, thus saving office space and personnel. We have found some duplication.

Centennial Crusade

Probably the greatest single thing before this Convention is the Centennial Crusade of 1945. We feel sure Mississippi Baptists will want to have the largest possible part in its every phase. It is suggested that Mississippi Baptists look toward winning 59,000 persons to Christ and baptism for the year, along with \$496,000 for Southwide causes, and a total of \$1,200,000 for all causes. This includes Cooperative Program and designated contributions. All institutions, agencies and departments are to report all gifts from that state to the Board office of the given state.

Thank You!

In closing this part of our report, and before going into department and institution reports, your Executive Secretary desires to thank all who have had a part in the work of Christ for the past year—our greatest! This includes pastors and churches, departments and institutions, office helpers and friends from every section. The blessings of our God be upon you!

the Bible Department in Mississippi College.

It is also suggested that the J. W. Frovine chair of chemistry and the Aven-Latimer chair of ancient languages be established and endowed. The Board of Trustees was authorized to proceed with the enlargement program at once and it is hoped that within a few months the young women will be occupying modern quarters and that other improvements will soon follow.

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DECEMBER 31 IS STUDENT NIGHT

Impressive publicity is being prepared for all campuses, pastors, and churches in college centers, as well as other churches throughout the South regarding the Student Night programs for Sunday, December 31.

This event has grown in practice and power over the two decades in which it has been promoted. Churches by the hundreds observe it regularly. It is included in the annual program of the churches. It is hoped that this year it will exceed the experience of any former year in extent and helpfulness.

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Union Hall church (Lincoln county) W. S. Landrum, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of Blue Mountain College.

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KEEP THE LIGHT BURNING

Perhaps you read in the secular press of the fifty-eighth anniversary on October 28 of the completion of the Statue of Liberty which was a gift to our nation from France in commemoration of one hundred years of American independence. The gift was designed in 1874 but there were twelve years of preparation required before this symbol, which cost \$600,000 and which weighs 225 tons, could be completed. Erected Oct. 28, 1886, on Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor, this woman wears a diadem and is called "Liberty Enlightening the World."

Travelers of pre-war days testify to the beauty of this light shining out over New York Harbor. Millions who wear the uniform of our country and who have fought that the Light of Liberty may keep burning will rejoice at its light upon their return to our native land.

Although young in comparison with other nations of the world, the United States of America grew out of a fight for liberty . . . fleeing from oppression and seeking a land where freedom of worship and religious liberty could be realized. Our forefathers ventured the dangers of a treacherous sea and a new world. God brought them to a land of untold possibilities.

Not getting entirely away from oppression by coming to foreign shores these sturdy men saw that they must fight for their ideals. Another liberty-loving nation became our ally in that conflict out of which our nation was born.

People have had the right to worship or not through these years and Baptists have been imprisoned and even burned at the stake as they upheld this integral part of our Constitution.

Freedom or liberty of worship cannot be expressed in mere

words. It is a freedom not granted or respected in any other nation. As we look around us many errors are made in the name of emergencies. Missionary or evangelistic groups are denied passports to carry out the commission of their Master. Any Board of Missions appreciates protection and precaution for their workers in dangerous zones during war times, but to be denied equal rights with other faiths to take the gospel to nations who live in sin and superstition is not religious liberty. Baptists must again be on guard that this liberty is not taken away from us. As our forefathers died that the cause of religious liberty should be in our Constitution so must we be mindful of insidious lurkings that on the surface appear all right but are as wedges for more sinister things to come.

As Christianity flourished under persecution we too must be willing to face ridicule if necessary in order to hold true to the faith of our fathers.

Many church members are unaware of the part that Baptists have had in making our nation a democracy and we need to arouse ourselves to the realization that even though liberty was gained by fighting for it, we must fight to maintain religious liberty.

Liberty-loving Baptists, let us keep the light of religious liberty shining in our land just as brightly as the light symbolic of the fight in 1776 and of the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of that event shines in the New York Harbor.

KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION SETS GOOD EXAMPLE

At the recent meeting of the Baptist Association in Kentucky, funds were provided to buy space in local newspapers to expense the falsehoods carried by liquor and entitled "Old Judge Says" and "From Where I Sit."

If other associations, churches and organizations would buy advertising space in the same papers that carry such advertising and answer their insidious suggestions there would be a change in the position of many.

In many cases, those who favor prohibition sit still and let the liquor crowd do all the crowing and many people are swayed by fallacious arguments of the wets.

We commend the plan of Kentucky's Baptist Association.

Wheeler church (Prentiss county), Bynam Basden, pastor, is on the Glory Hall of Blue Mountain College.

A B. T. U. study course on the B. T. U. Manual was held at Blue Mountain College Nov. 20-22 under the leadership of State Training Union Secretary Auber J. Wilds. A good representation of the students attended the class three afternoons for two hours. Dorothy Lee Jefferson is campus B. T. U. president.

THE SAME OLD NOTICE

Below we make some requests that have been made before and will continue to be made:

1. By looking on page four our readers will learn that obituaries and obituary resolutions are published free provided there are not more than 200 words. Over 200 words are one cent each.

2. Resolutions or articles in memory of those who have passed away months ago are one cent per word.

3. We cannot publish any kind of an article regardless of its merits unless the name of the writer is signed to the article. If the writer does not wish his name used and will so indicate it, we will be glad to omit it. But we must know the name of the writer. Almost every day we receive an unsigned article—sometimes a short one and sometimes a long one. And the reason they are not published is because they are not signed.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES MEET AT BLUE MOUNTAIN

With representatives from student governments of five Mississippi colleges present, the seventeenth annual conference, Mississippi Inter-Collegiate Association of the student government organizations for women met recently at Blue Mountain College, where the conference was organized seventeen years ago. College represented were: Delta State Teachers' College, Cleveland; All Saints' College, Vicksburg; Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus; Belhaven College, Jackson, and Blue Mountain College.

A banquet was held Friday evening at which Mr. David E. Guyton, head of the Social Science Department, Blue Mountain College, was guest speaker.

During the workshop period, Saturday, Miss Eugenia Sumner of M. S. C. W. discussed: "Is Student Government Democratic?" Other topics of discussion were: "The Student's Responsibility in Student Government," Miss Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Blue Mountain College; "Relationship Between Faculty and Student Government," Miss Killie Stroud, Belhaven College; "The Value of Student Government," Miss Nell Barham, Delta State Teachers' College.

Miss Mary Ann Durham of Blue Mountain College was elected president of the conference for 1945. Other officers elected were: Miss Claire Lowrey, M. S. C. W., vice-president; Miss Catherine Teasley, Delta State Teachers' College, secretary; Miss Leisa Miller, All Saints' College, treasurer.

The conference will meet next year at M. S. C. W., Columbus.

The annual Y. W. A. study course was conducted Nov. 27-29 for B. M. C. students. Mrs. R. E. Owen taught the subject, "Palestine," while those participating read the book, "Palestinian Tapestries," by Mrs. J. W. Watts. Mrs. Owen's daughter, Laurelle Owen, is a B. M. C. freshman, while Mrs. Watts' daughter, Betty Jane Watts, is a member of the junior class. Floriene Williams is president of the Janie Sanford Graves Y. W. A.

Bluff Springs church, Kemper county, W. E. Butler, pastor, E. E. Shepard, clerk, is on the Blue Mountain College Endowment Glory Roll.

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THE LITTLE BAPTIST

(Continued From Page One)

tion. She said:

"I grew up, believing that nature and education had given me all the qualification for happiness, that I needed, but by reading the Bible and becoming better informed, I found this to be untrue. My conscience bore testimony to the fact that I was a condemned sinner, meriting only the displeasure of God. I sought to gain His favor by good deeds, and by various means that all proved unavailing, until by long and bitter repentance, I was led to the cross of Christ. There prostrated in the depths of humility, pleading the merits of Him who died for me, and trusting and believing in Him, I found peace to my soul. I felt that I was accepted of Him, and my sins pardoned. I felt no longer burdened on account of sin, but happy in a Saviour's love. I feel today to thank God that He led me out of the delusions of sin, into this glorious light of His love. And though I have often since then felt a remorse of conscience for the neglect of duty I have nevermore felt that sense of condemnation as I once did. I feel that I love my Saviour, and I wish to follow Him, and in obedience to His command, be baptized, to be united with His people, and to serve Him while I live on earth."

(Continued next week)

To God's eternal glory, there were more than 2000 conversions and transfers of membership in the city-wide revival in Los Angeles, California, preached in from October 15th to November 5th by Hyman Appelman. Of these, more than 1200 were first professions of faith. The meetings were sponsored by the Christian Business Men's committee and a number of the churches.

The First Baptist Church, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, recently celebrated the third anniversary of the pastor, Dr. N. D. Timmerman. During the three years Dr. Timmerman has served, a debt of nearly \$12,000 has been paid, a department of missions has been established, more than 400 additions have been made to the church, and more than \$92,000 has been given for all purposes. Dr. Timmerman represented the Southern Baptist Committee on World Peace at the Missouri Baptist Convention. (Editor's Note: Dr. Timmerman was formerly pastor at Clarksdale.)



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MT. ZION, COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION, ORGANIZES

Thanks to Mr. Bradford White, superintendent of the New Hope high school in Lowndes county, for a good report of the organization of a Training Union at the Mt. Zion church. The union starts off right by having a study course for each union. Forty-eight members qualified for credit and the awards have been sent.

Last month eighteen newly organized unions report—three Story Hours, five Junior Unions, four Intermediate Unions, two Young People's Unions, four Adult Unions. More than two hundred unions organized during the year.

SELF CREEK, OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, RE-ORGANIZES

We are glad to add to our list newly organized unions at Self Creek church, Oktibbeha county. Three unions were started, the Intermediate with thirty members, Young People's Union with twenty members, and an Adult Union with fifteen members. They hope to organize a Junior Union soon. Mrs. Mattye E. Taylor in reporting the union says they have had new members joining for the first three Sundays. Congratulations, Self Creek.

Clarksdale reports an average attendance in their Training Union for

Puckett church voted on November 19 to participate in the Minister's Retirement Plan. Pastor R. H. Fitzgerald says it was just a matter of presenting the plan to the people for they had been informed about it through the pages of The Baptist Record. At close of the evening service the ladies of the W. M. S. presented a surprise pounding to the pastor.

Baldwyn: Baldwyn church recently ordained Wesley W. McDonald and Forrest Grissom as deacons. Dr. J. D. Thompson, Booneville, preached the ordination sermon and J. B. Basden, pastor at Wheeler, led the ordination prayer. Brethren McDonald and Grissom are active members of the church and should add greatly to the usefulness of the deacons.

Brookhaven: Thirty thousand dollars will be the goal for the building fund to be raised by the First Baptist Church for a young people's building. The church accepted the deacons' recommendation of the proposed building project and two committees were authorized, one to serve as a finance committee, the other to work out architectural plans. This addition will give the First Baptist Church one of the most complete church plants in the state, an educational annex having been built within recent years.

Brother W. W. Kyzar of Columbia did the preaching here in Pass Christian recently. The attendance was good and I never heard more earnest and faithful preaching than Brother Kyzar did. The church membership was revived and strengthened. It was just the meeting the church needed. But so far as the lost was concerned it was a time of seed sowing. The preaching Brother Kyzar did will most certainly bring forth fruit in God's own good time. I shall expect to be reaping for months to come.—W. S. Allen.

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Baldwyn: The Sunday school offering to State Missions was \$129.25. On October 25 the deacons packed and shipped 260 pounds of clothing to liberated allies in Europe. This clothing was valued at \$500.

Barton, George county: We recently enjoyed having Rev. Alphonzo Amado, a native of Argentina, speak in our church for four nights. Coming from a Catholic family he found it a hard struggle to break away. He is a student at B. B. I. and is doing mission work at Alluveial City, La.

Concord church, Yazoo county, recently honored their pastor, Robert I. Martin and his wife, at the close of ten years of service with the church. A love gift of \$100 was presented to them in appreciation of their work and they were asked to continue their ministry with this church. Concord church is an EVERY FAMILY church.

II Chronicles 7:14 was the theme of the revival at South Laurel church in church T. R. Coulter, pastor of Valence Street church in New Orleans and former pastor at Richton, did the preaching. One person says he dealt with sin in its awfulness, hell in its certainty and heaven in its wonderfulness. Herman T. Wilson of Valence Street church, New Orleans, led the music. J. M. Foy is pastor of this church and is steadily growing in the esteem of the people. The visiting workers and pastor were able to visit almost every home in South Laurel. There were 13 additions.

First church, Ponca City, Oklahoma, has more students in Oklahoma Baptist University than any other church anywhere. In recognition of this honor, a recent issue of the Oklahoma Baptist Messenger carried a picture of Pastor A. Floyd Crittenden and Mrs. Crittenden.

The staff of the Baptist Hospital has promised \$15,000 toward the new building.

October of 112, and a good report in all other points, but adds the director, Mr. Ralph C. Nelson, "November report will be MUCH BETTER." They are planning for a training school for March.

Glad to have a report from Bassfield, through Mrs. A. G. Felder of Gillsburg, who helped there in their enlargement campaign. The church came within three of the goal set for the Sunday night following the campaign. The Story Hour was started with Mrs. Johnson serving as leader.

From Brooklyn comes this report: "We have recently completed a profitable study course in our Training Union at Brooklyn. We had an enrollment of thirty-two with an average attendance of twenty-nine. Baptist Faith, taught by Rev. Fred Moseley; Meaning of Church Membership, taught by Mrs. Fred Moseley; The Junior and His Church, by Mrs. Will King, the Training Union director. The Intermediate Union is working hard to become standard." Glad to have this report from Brooklyn.

Prentiss reports a new Story Hour and also an increase in the membership of the Adult Union. "The enlargement campaign was a blessing to the church," writes the director, Mrs. Howard Hartzog.

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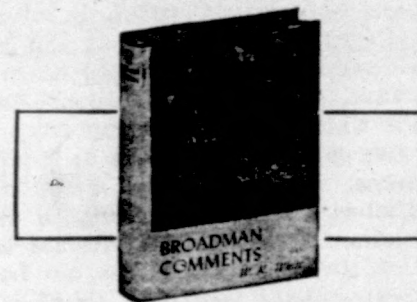
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Another good friend of the Record, Clifton House, church clerk of Bethel church, Chickasaw county, sends in a nice list of 17 subscriptions. This church now has 18 Record readers.

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Announcements are being made asking that we get our gifts in the mail early. Already our gift list is being made both by individuals and groups. What has your missionary society decided to do? Each year we are reminded of many people that we would like to remember. In making your plans this year we thought you would like to know that in our state we have twenty-five preachers that have already served a lifetime in the service of our Master, as well as twenty-five widows of His servants. How great it would be to have some of the missionary societies remember them on this birthday of our Lord. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, ye did it unto me" (Mt. 25:40).

The name and address of some aged minister or widow can be secured by writing to Edwina Robinson, Box 530, Jackson 105, Miss.

Bombay, India
Sept. 16, 1944

Beloved Relatives and Friends:

My heart is filled with praise and gratitude to the Father for His marvelous mercies and blessings during the nine years that have elapsed since my previous furlough. Wonderfully the Lord has protected and led us during these stressful times of warfare, flood and famine. Even while waiting, there are opportunities to give gospels and tracts to Hindus, Parsees, Mohammedans, Jews and Catholics. Many are willing to read Christian literature and discuss salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Having been officially advised to evacuate our mission stations in Honan, Dr. Strother, Misses Stribling, Murray, Daddow and I left Chengchow April 18, and the Japanese army entered on April 20. More than seventy of our flood refugees were traveling the same mountainous road to Loyang. The enemy took advantage of this opportunity and hurled bombs at us repeatedly. When the roaring planes came over all stopped, Christians prayed and everyone sought a hiding place. The Lord graciously protected us and we reached Loyang in safety. Our trip to Sian on a refugee train was an interesting experience. Hoping to avoid bombs, the train stood in a sheltered spot through Sunday. That gave an opportunity to have preaching services and many fellow passengers heard the gospel that day. In Sian I stayed in the home of Miss Watson of the English Baptist mission. I saw a number of Honan refugees, most of whom were meeting in the home of a brother for Sunday worship. I spoke to them on two occasions when the house was full to overflowing.

As hostilities became more threatening, we women were advised to proceed to Chungking as Miss Stribling had done. Hence Miss Murray, Miss Daddow and I went to Pochi on a refugee freight train and on to Chungking by truck. One frequently found an opportunity to witness for the Lord. On one occasion I began

a conversation with a group of women sitting on the sidewalk. Soon a crowd gathered and some listened attentively. We arrived in Chungking May 27 and found refuge in the Friends International Center where Miss Stribling was staying. Next morning we went with her to the airport and saw her on the great passenger plane to India.

While awaiting passage to India we found missionary work to do. It was a joy to find a number of scattered Baptists who had come from other provinces and to assist in starting Sunday worship in the home of a dear sister. Dr. Strother preached on two occasions and after his departure Chinese brothers led the meetings. One day while walking over to see Miss Ruth Mather, whom should I meet on the street but one of our own Welsh Bible students? He was also a refugee and was helping in an orphanage near the city. Another group that appealed to my heart was found among the children in our neighborhood. I trust the seed sown in their little hearts will bring forth fruit to His glory. May He send them and other similar groups the teachers they need.

On July 14 we flew by transport plane from Chungking to Calcutta. A thrilling experience it was. Upon our arrival in Calcutta, that picturesque and fascinating city of 3,000,000 population, the American Express agent told us of St. Mary's Home, a Church of England hotel, where rooms had been prepared for us. At Carey Baptist Church I witnessed a baptism in the very same baptismal where Judson and his wife were buried with Christ in baptism 132 years ago. We also went to Serampore to see the church and college Carey established and to visit his grave there.

We came to Bombay Aug. 28 and are awaiting an opportunity for sailing. It is difficult to find a boarding place but we are thankful to be in a lovely home. I am with Miss Kershaw from England, Miss Murray, and Miss Shumate, who joined us in Calcutta. It was there that we had the privilege of meeting Dr. and Mrs. Beddoe. This is a beautiful place, especially the "Hanging Gardens," where the keepers coax evergreens to grow up into figures of lions, elephants and all kinds of animals and birds—even men driving wagons drawn by cows.

If, in the Lord's providence, we really embark and reach our destination, it may not be many months before I shall have the privilege of seeing your face to face. What a joy that will be!

With much love and best wishes and a prayer for the Father's richest, fullest, sweetest blessings upon you and your dear ones.

Lovingly yours in the Master's service,

ADDIE ESTELLE COX.

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Friendship church at Kreole in Jackson county was recently organized. Rev. Jewel Golman is the pastor. Having had experience with the EVERY FAMILY Plan at other places Pastor Goldman led his people to adopt it at Friendship.

Jackson county Record readers are now listed as follows: FRIENDSHIP 15, EAST MOSS POINT 76, ESCATAWPA 46, GAUTIER 23, KREOLE 37, MOSS POINT 73, OCEAN SPRINGS 23, PASCAGOULA FIRST 341, RED CREEK 20, Vancleave 12, WADE 33, Belfontaine 8, FORT BAYOU 18, WATTS MEMORIAL 164, Magnolia 6,

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Any pastor needing help in presenting the EVERY FAMILY Plan might imitate Mrs. C. L. Freely. She paid \$1.00 for the Record to be sent to 12 people for a month. This is known as the \$1.00 a dozen plan. Her people like it so well that this church is now an EVERY FAMILY church.

Mesa Sends List

Although not large membership, Mesa church in Walthall county, realizes the need of information. So the pastor, Rev. V. C. Walker, has sent a list of 12 names to whom the Record is to be sent.

Record readers in Walthall county are now listed as follows: Crystal Springs 36, DINAN 48, ENON 14, KNOXO 23, LEXIE 27, MAGEE'S CREEK 38, NEW ZION 37, SALEM 49, TYLERTOWN 139, Union 10, MESA 13.

Beulah is Number 767

Beulah church, Newton county, is a recent addition to the growing list of Baptist Record churches. Rev. T. A. Sims is pastor and the list contains 27 names.

Other Newton county Record readers are listed as follows: SULPHUR SPRINGS 16, BETHEL 17, BEULAH 31, CENTER RIDGE 15, CHUNKY 25, CLARKE VENABLE 89, CONEHATTA 34, GOOD HOPE 16, HICKORY 76, LAWRENCE 14, LIBERTY 45, Little Rock 5, MT. NEBO 10, MIDWAY 16, Mt. Pleasant 1, MT. VERNON 26, NEWTON 163, OAKLAND 14, PINKNEY 36, POPLAR SPRINGS 20, CROSS ROADS 23, PROVIDENCE 25, Roberts 1, ROCK BRANCH 19, ROSE HILL 16, STRATTON 12, UNION FIRST 152, Hopewell 3, NEW FELLOWSHIP 18, PINE GROVE 8, NEW IRELAND 22, PLEASANT HILL 39, NEW PROSPECT 12.

Gaston is EVERY FAMILY

A recent addition to the growing list of EVERY FAMILY churches is Gaston, Prentiss county. Rev. J. H. Crawford is pastor and serves the church half-time.

A new church building is being constructed.

Prentiss county's Record readers are listed as follows: BOONEVILLE 139, MT. OLIVE 25, OSBORN CREEK 36, Pine Grove 2, Pleasant Grove 2, THRASHER 34, WHEELER 23, GASTON 13.

Mendenhall church, C. C. Jones, pastor, has attained the Glory Roll on the Blue Mountain College Endowment Fund Campaign.

To Mississippi Baptists the Thanksgiving season and orphan children are inseparable. The orphanage is a channel through which men and women who want to do something in the name of Jesus may enrich their spiritual lives. What shall the harvest be? You have the answer.

From October 27-November 3, 1944, the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina received \$3,658.86. This coming for the general support fund from the Sunday schools who regularly make a once a month offering to the orphanage in addition to the special offering made at the Thanksgiving season. This was the offering received by them in just one week. This is more than the Baptist Orphanage of Mississippi receives in a month on many occasions.

When Columbia University conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on Archbishop Francis J. Spellman some time ago, President Nicholas Murray Butler said: "... and who has had unusual experience in the study of our present world-wide problems and in their solution, designated by the Bishop of Rome as Military Vicar for all those serving in the armed forces of the United States." Do you get that? "Designated by the Bishop of Rome as Military Vicar for all those serving in the armed forces of the United States." The question emerges: Will Spellman be named as one of the members of the American delegation at the peace table?—Louie D. Newton.

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The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. H. A. Milner, Star; Rev. Foy Rogers, Clinton; Rev. Gerald Riddell, West Laurel; Dr. D. M. Nelson, Clinton; Rev. L. Y. Lewis, Texarkana, Ark.; Rev. Percy M. Cooper, Jackson; Rev. A. B. Pierce, New Albany; R. A. Marston, Jackson.

Another friend of The Baptist Record is Rev. Z. B. McAlpin. We recently received a money order for \$24.00 and 24 names for Dry Creek and Kennedy Springs churches. Such friends as that are responsible for much of the growth in circulation which The Baptist Record has enjoyed.

William A. Robinson, graduate of Southern Seminary, Louisville, has accepted the pastorate of Springhead church, Plant City, Fla. Mrs. Robinson is the former Madeline Phillips of Philadelphia, Miss., and she attended Blue Mountain College and the W. M. U. Training School.

Miss Marjorie West, Sardis, will be Queen of May at Blue Mountain College next spring, and Miss Wilma Stewart of Meadville, will be maid of honor.

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Mendenhall's Plan

The Mendenhall Baptist Church, Rev. C. C. Jones, pastor, has worked out a plan for their educational program by setting apart Monday night of every week as Education Night.

The entire church membership understands that Monday night of each week is Education Night just as each Wednesday night is prayer meeting time. This will be their program throughout the year for every Monday night.

Study course books of the various divisions of church work will be continued each Monday night until it is completed and then another book of some other division of church work will be taken up.

We have felt for some time that it would be a splendid thing for a church to have in its program a definite place for education during the year just as much as for other parts of the work. Whether the above plan is followed or some other plan, it will certainly pay big dividends for any church to incorporate a program of education for its people. Each church must train its own workers. We cannot expect other churches, even in the same town or city, to train our workers. We must do it ourselves for our own people in each church.


Brother Jones states that they have completed one Sunday school study course book under the above plan and that the people are indeed delighted with it. They now plan to take up a Training Union book and do likewise,

and so on through the year. We predict that this meeting each Monday night for special study will result in great good to that fine church. No church loses when it gives of its time to the training of its people. No church will be any better than its people know. And the people will not know beyond what they are taught. We need to realize that the business of teaching and training our workers is exceedingly important. We cannot hope to do better until we know better. Training is for the express purpose of enabling our workers to be more useful in Christian service.

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Mendenhall church, C. C. Jones, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of Blue Mountain College.

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Will you not endeavor to send a nice donation from your church this month or next and help mark up a victory this year?

Pray about it. Confer about it. Talk with your leaders about it. Present it to your people. Solicit some individuals. Use some of your church treasury surplus. Put it in your budget. Make individual gifts. Get it some way. Send it before December 31.

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FRANK L. FAIR, General Chairman
Blue Mountain College Endowment Fund
Campaign.

ROLL CALL OF CHURCHES BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

Glory Roll

(These churches have obtained more than the amounts asked of them.)

Skene, Mt. Moriah (Calhoun), Indian Springs (Jones), Walnut Grove, Tupelo Calvary, Lowland (Leflore), Improve (Marion), Blue Mountain, Louisville, Pleasant Home (Jones), Vardaman, Carrollton, New Montpelier (Clay), Horse Shoe (Holmes), Shannon (Lee), Waxhaw (Bolivar), Smithville, Woodland (Pontotoc), Osborne Creek (Prentiss), Lexington, Lewisburg, Pickens, Center (Neshoba), New Augusta, Booneville, Dundee, Inverness, Walnut, New Albany, Wallerville, Mineral Wells (DeSoto), Sessums (Oktibbeha), Spring Hill (Pontotoc), McLain, Chalybeate, Dumas, Mizpah (Rankin), Pittsboro, Senatobia, Academy (Tippah), Hurricane (Attala), Wanilla (Lawrence), Swiftwater, McAdams, Learned, Midway (Lauderdale), Cold Springs (Covington), Mt. Oral (Jones), Hopewell (Scott), Baldwin, Purvis, Sidon, Lyon, Sabougla (Zion), Raleigh, Harrisburg (Lee), Blue Springs (Union Co.), McCurtain's Creek (Choctaw), Providence (Yalobusha), Camp Creek (Lee), Pope (Panola), Lambert, Mt. Zion (Tishomingo), Pocahontas, Corinth First, Antioch (Jones), Holly Grove (Sunflower), Pleasant Hill (DeSoto), Bruce, Poplar Springs (Copiah), Nicholson, White Bluff (Marion), Hamburg, West Point, Gallman, Leaf River (Covington), Darlove, Clear Creek (Marion), Mt. Gilead (Lauderdale), Catchings.

Added this week: Marks, Mendenhall, Bluff Springs (Kemper), Magnolia, Wheeler, Sledge, Union Hall (Lincoln), Leland, Flora, Harmony (Clark), Smyrna (Copiah), Hattiesburg-28th Avenue, Edwards, Eastside (Rankin), Centerville, Goss, Slayden (Marshall), Adaton (Oktibbeha), Bethesda (Oktibbeha), Sardis, Courtland, Clear Creek (Wayne), Steen's Creek (Rankin), Briar Hill (Rankin), Dry Creek (Rankin), Evergreen (Itawamba), Bethany (Itawamba).

Honor Roll No. 1

(These churches have obtained more than 75% of the amounts asked of them.) Pine Grove (Clarke), Cary (Deer Creek), Louin, Friendship (Wayne), Blythe Creek (Zion), Wesson, Mt. Carmel (Leake), Summerland (Smith), New Providence (Leake), Euclatubba (Lee), Chalybeate, Curtis Creek (Tippah), Gaston (Alcorn), Eddin's Memorial (Newton), Faulkner, Silver Creek (Walshall), Melrose (Yazoo), Bethel (Leake), New Salem (Carroll), College Hill (Calhoun), Progress (Perry), Fulton First, Heuck's Retreat (Lincoln), Longview (Pontotoc), Duck Hill, Gatesville, Spring Hill (Copiah), Jackson First.

Added this week: Grenada, Brooks-ville.

Honor Roll No. 2

(These churches have obtained more than 50% of the amounts asked of them.) Arcola, East Salem (Greene), Clinton, Meridian Fifteenth Avenue, Greenwood First, Holly Springs, Ripley, Beulah (Attala), Bethany (Bolivar), Providence (Calhoun), Enterprise (Clarke), Bethesda (Lowndes), Collins, Elizabeth (Deer Creek), Providence (Grenada), Yokena (Hinds-Warren), Sharon (Jasper), Anguilla, Sunrise (Leake), Emmanuel (Lebanon), Kilmichael, Prospect (Perry), Pontotoc First, Sardis (Smith), Woodland (Chickasaw), New Haven (Choctaw), Midway (Leake), Mt. Zion (Leake), Lawrence, Maben, Birdie (Riverside), Edinburg, East County Line (Leake), Ingram (Lee), Bethel (Noxubee), Como, Big Springs (Yalobusha), Glenfield (Union Co.), Mt. Pisgah (Tallahatchie), Mt. Manna (Tate), Shiloh (Winston), Burnsville, Beulah (Union Co.), New Hope (Leake), Antioch (Alcorn), Oakland (Yalobusha), Sylvarena (Yalobusha), Hebron (Yazoo), Tillatoba, Tupelo First, West Corinth (Alcorn), Carthage, Cleveland, Rolling Fork, Piave (Greene), Toccopola, Batesville, Shelton (Jones), Mathiston, Ashland, Hernando, Pascagoula First, Oxford First.

Added this week: Ackerman, Meridian-41st Avenue, Riversdale, Money, Linn (Sunflower), Raymond, Pilgrim's Rest (Yalobusha).

Helpers' Roll

(These churches have obtained from 1% to 49% of the amounts asked of

them.)

Bear Creek (Attala), Canaan (Benton), Boyle, Providence (Carroll), Amity (Chickasaw), Crystal Springs, Mt. Horeb, (Covington), Belzoni, Lucedale, Biloxi First, Jackson-Griffith Memorial, Goodman, Bay Springs (Jasper), Calvary (Jones), Center Ridge (Kemper), Meridian First, Crooked Creek (Lawrence), Hattiesburg First, Bissell (Lee), Itta Bena, Fair River (Lincoln), Canton First, Crosby (Mississippi), Center Hill (Monroe), Bluff Springs Neshoba, Conehatta (Newton), Elim (Noxubee), Self Creek (Oktibbeha), Brewer (Perry), McComb First, Ecu, Forest, Magee, Lorena (Smith), Indianola, Friendship No. 2 (Tallahatchie), Coldwater, Whitten Town (Tippah), Old Ham (Tishomingo), Fayette (Union), Old Oak Grove (Union Co.), Tylertown, Ellison Ridge (Winston), Yazoo City, Mathiston (Zion), Concord (Adams-Franklin), West Corinth (Alcorn), Kosciusko First, Calhoun City, Egypt (Chickasaw), Bethlehem (Choctaw), Quitman, Columbus First, Damascus (Copiah), Union Sr. (Covington), Greenville, Eudora (DeSoto), Agricola (George), Leakesville, Hardy (Grenada), Gulfport First, Antioch (Hinds-Warren), Cruger, Escatawpa (Jackson), Prentiss (Jeff Davis), Ellisville, Blackwater (Kemper), Abbeville (Lafayette), Meridian Highland, Bethel (Lawrence), Friendship (Leake), Calvary (Lebanon), Plantersville (Lee), Morgan City, Columbia First, Byhalia, Aberdeen, Coldwater, Newton, Macon, Morgan Chapel (Oktibbeha), Starkville, Beaumont (Perry), Summit, Algoma, Brandon, Clarksdale First, Drew, Friendship No. 1 (Tallahatchie), Fellowship (Tippah), Belmont, Zion Hill (Union county), Mt. Carmel (Winston), Coffeeville, Anding (Yazoo), Cumberland (Zion), Lucien, Hinkle Creek (Alcorn), Flat Rock (Benton), Duncan, Houka, Beulah (Choctaw), Shubuta, Mt. Olive (Covington), Hollandale, Shady Grove (George), Biloxi Second, Durant, Montrose (Jasper), Bassfield (Jeff Davis), Fairfield (Jones), Clear Creek (Lafayette), Daleville (Lauderdale), Monticello (Lawrence), Glendale (Lebanon), Saltillo, Schlater, Brookhaven, Columbia East, Potts Camp, Liberty, Amory, Oak Grove (Neshoba), Beulah (Newton), Shuqualak (Noxubee), Corinth (Pearl River), Naville (Pike), Cherry Creek (Pontotoc), Antioch (Rankin), Darling (Riverside), Fairview (Sunflower), Charleston, Tyro (Tate), Mt. Olive (Tippah), Fairview (Tishomingo), Union Church, Concord (Winston), Elam (Yalobusha), Black Jack (Yazoo), Eupora, New Salem (Adams-Franklin), Kossuth, Sallis, Hickory Flat, Merigold, Derma, Vaiden, Houston, Blythe Creek (Choctaw), Stonewall (Clarke), Pheba, Georgetown, Salem (Covington), Rocky Creek (George), Holcomb (Grenada), Bay St. Louis, Jackson Calvary, Tchula, East Moss Point (Jackson), Laurel First, DeKalb, Yellow Leaf (Lafayette), Goodwater (Lauderdale), Calvary (Lawrence), New Zion (Leake), Hattiesburg Main Street, Oak Grove (Lee), Mt. Pleasant (Lincoln), Galilee (Mississippi), New Prospect (Monroe), Linwood (Neshoba), Clarke-Venable (Newton), Crenshaw (Panola), Picayune, Bogue Chitto (Pike), Oak Grove (Scott), Sylvarena (Smith), Ruleville, Bethany (Tallahatchie), Harmony (Tippah), Bentonla, Mantee, Natchez First, Rienzi, Rosedale, Rocky Mount (Calhoun), Van Vleet, Chester (Choctaw), Union (Clarke), Siloam (Clay), Hazlehurst, Seminary (Covington), Lake Cormorant, Pine Level (Greene), Pass Christian, Jackson Southside, West, Moss Point, Laurel Second, Scooba, Union West (Lafayette), Newhebron, Madden (Leake), Perkinson, Sherman, Becker (Monroe), Bethlehem (Montgomery), Philadelphia First, Hickory, Concord (Noxubee), Sturgis, Good Hope (Panola), Richton, Silver Creek (Pike), Toxish (Pontotoc), Thrasher, Liberty (Rankin), Hollywood (Riverside), Lake, Braxton, New Home (Smith), Moorhead, Paynes (Tallahatchie), New Hope (Tate), Providence (Tippah), New Harmony (Union county), Calvary (Winston), Center Ridge (Yazoo), Harmony (Zion), Kosciusko Second, Beulah (Bolivar), Midway (Calhoun), Okolona, Clear Springs (Choctaw), Davis Memorial Jackson, Overt, Taylor, Russell (Lauderdale), Oakvale (Lawrence), Salem (Leake), 38th Avenue Hattiesburg, Verona, Mt. Pleasant (Marshall), Union, Vernon (Noxubee), Liberty Hill (Panola), Brewer (Perry), Puckett (Rankin), Jonestown, Springfield (Scott), Taylorsville, New Hope (Sunflower), Cascilla, Pleasant Hill (Tippah), Ingomar, Good Hope (Winston), Concord

SOME MAJOR PROMOTIONAL PLANS FOR 1945 J. N. Barnette

1. The statewide meetings for associational officers. Can we have 10,000 attending these state meetings? We did in 1939 and that year we had a net increase in Sunday school enrollment of 155,000 and Southern Baptists reported 269,000 baptisms.

2. The simultaneous associational meetings on March 6. Can we have 250,000 Sunday school workers attending these meetings? Let's work for every association having a meeting on March 6. Mr. J. P. Edmunds will work with you in the preparation of a program that will be vital.

3. The two folders, "10,000 Sunday School Enlargement Campaigns," and "10,000 New Sunday Schools," and two others, "10,000 Vacation Bible Schools," and "10,000 Churches with One or More Training Schools," are prepared for use in both of these meetings. In addition, we plan to mail these leaflets to every pastor and every Sunday school superintendent.

4. Mr. Jesse Daniel is writing you relative to special meetings by associations for the purpose of getting pastors and superintendents to agree to put on an enlargement campaign and organize a new Sunday school. We believe that if we can get pastors and superintendents to put on enlargement campaigns that it will get the majority of the sixteen items used that are listed on the Southern Baptist Sunday school centennial program. It need not mean an extra meeting in the association as it can take the place of any regular meeting for the month or quarter. Do we not have pastors, educational directors, and other capable people who could direct these meetings?

5. Dr. M. E. Dodd will be the speaker on the Southwide Radio Hour on January 14 at 7:30 a. m. He writes that his message will be directed to Sunday school officers and teachers, discussing the part they will have in winning a million people to Christ in

(Yazoo), Fellowship (Zion), Meadville, Morrison Chapel (Bolivar), Spring Creek (Calhoun), Concord (Choctaw), Sardis (Copiah), Jackson, Northside, Montrose (Jasper), Laurel West, Oak Grove (Lauderdale), Oma (Lawrence), Standing Pine (Leake), Hattiesburg River Avenue, Pleasant Valley (Lee), New Sight (Lincoln), Hathorn (Marion), Ft. Adams (Mississippi), Longtown (Panola), Mt. Pisgah (Rankin), Lula, Lorena (Scott), Wilkinson Memorial (Smith), Sunflower, Philipp, Pleasant Ridge (Tippah), Poplar Flat (Winston), Water Valley, Rocky Springs (Yazoo), Pilgrim's Rest (Zion), Hopewell (Adams-Franklin), Providence (Bolivar), Slate Springs (Calhoun), Ebenezer (Choctaw), Shady Grove (Copiah), Raymond, Tchula, Pine Grove (Jones), Liberty (Lauderdale), Topeka (Lawrence), Thomastown (Leake), Wiggins, Mission Hill (Lincoln), Peach Creek (Panola), Oak Dale (Rankin), Tunica, Holly Ridge (Sunflower), Webb, Clear Springs (Yalobusha), Tomnolen, Fentress (Choctaw), Terry, Sharon (Jones), Tuscola (Leake), Macedonia (Lebanon), Union (Panola), Pelahatchie, Union Chapel (Riverside), New Hope (Yalobusha), Walthall (Zion), Mt. Moriah (Choctaw), New Zion (Choctaw), Strong Hope (Copiah), Utica, Van Winkle, Sandersville (Jones), Union Ridge (Leake), Calvary (Lebanon), Lumberton, Star (Rankin), Shaw, Providence (Choctaw), Spring Hill (Choctaw), Weir, Shady Grove (Choctaw), Daniel (Hinds-Warren), Vicksburg, Bowmar Avenue, Friendship (Jones), County Line (Leake), New Prospect (Leake), Dixie (Lebanon), Cartersville (Lebanon), Mashulaville, East McComb, Chunky, Wade Mission (Sunflower Co.), Dinan (Walshall).

Added this week: New Hope (Lawhas promised \$15,000 toward the new tunna, Robinson (Amite).

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6. Would you be interested in a Southwide Sunday School Clinic of two weeks duration—August 19-September 1? If we have this clinic, we have in mind to invite many of the associational and district missionaries for a study of our Sunday school program. We believe such a clinic is needed at this time and we are ready to proceed with plans for it, if enough state men think well of the idea.

7. There will be a Southwide Better Bible Teaching Clinic the week of September 10-14, 1945. We hope to have at least one hundred capable leaders from over the South in this clinic—people who can and will be available to conduct Better Bible Teaching schools whenever and wherever they are needed.

8. Mr. W. P. Phillips has projected the Inside Enlargement Campaign on an association-wide basis. We hope each state may have at least one such campaign in 1945. The Sunday School Department, when needed, is ready to help make possible these campaigns. Pastors can be used as directors in these campaigns.

9. We are working on the Ridgecrest program. There will be two weeks again. The dates suggested now for the two Sunday School Weeks are June 28 to July 4 and July 5 to July 11. If there is any change necessary, immediate notice will be given. We are doing our best to make these weeks profitable.

10. The new arrangement of the Cradle Roll and Nursery is having a most favorable reception. Now every church regardless of size can have a Standard Cradle Roll. Also the churches that have places in the building can have one or more Nurseries and by having a full-fledged superintendent of each Nursery they can magnify this work, improve it, and greatly increase the attendance of nursery age children in the Sunday school.

11. We hope to make The Sunday School Builder helpful for all the Sunday school officers and teachers in all the churches. Any suggestions you have as to the improvement of the Builder will be sincerely appreciated.

12. We propose to promote the use of the suggested programs prepared by Mr. Hockett and carried in The Sunday School Builder in churches that do not have preaching every Sunday. If we can get these programs used in the smaller churches on the Sundays they do not have preaching, we believe that it will strengthen thousands of them to the point of a full-time pastor, a greatly increased budget, better buildings, and a much larger attendance.

13. We are doing our best to prepare adequate quantities of helpful promotional literature. If you have suggestions along this line, they will be deeply appreciated.

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The campus Y. W. A. at Blue Mountain College entertained for the students Thanksgiving evening with a delightful party at Broach. Games, readings, and musical numbers were features of the evening. Delicious refreshments were served.

Gov. Thomas L. Bailey was an interested and welcome visitor to the Convention on Tuesday night. When recognized he graciously responded that he "felt very much at home."

Rev. A. B. Pierce of New Albany is to preach at Bruce on the nights of December 4 and 5 on "Stewardship."—L. F. Haire, pastor.